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Thirty-fourth Session

OF THE

HOLSTON CONFERENCE

OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

HELD AT


Elizabethton, Tenn., October 13 to 17, 1898.

J. H. AMIS, SECRETARY,

CLINTON, TENN.

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Public Worship.—Presiding Elder and Pastor.

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Missionary Sermon.—T. H. Hodge; Alternate, G. R. Rowan.

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American Bible Society.—C. W. Miller, W. R. Byerly, J. S. Best, P. H. Henry, J. C. Harmon.

Epworth League Work.—J. C. Eckles, G. W. Paul, I. H. Miller, T. W. Brown, D. G. Pile.

District Conference Records.—L. O. Crowder, T. R. West, W. T. Senter.

State of the Church.—J. S. Jones, E. H. McLaughlin, W. M. Dye, M. A. Rule, T. H. Russell.

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SESSIONS OF THE HOLSTON CONFERENCE.

YEAR	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1865 .	July 5 . . .	Athens . . .	D. W. Clark . . .	J. F. Spence
1866 .	May 17 . . .	Greeneville .	D. W. Clark . . .	J. F. Spence
1867 .	October 3 . .	Knoxville . .	C. Kingsley . . .	J. F. Spence
1868 .	October 8 . .	Chattanooga .	D. W. Clark . . .	J. F. Spence
1869 .	October 7 . .	Jonesboro . . .	M. Simpso . . .	J. F. Spence
1870 .	October 3 . .	Knoxville . . .	L. Scott	J. J. Manker
1871 .	October 11 . .	Greeneville . .	L. Scott	J. J. Manker
1872 .	October 2 . . .	Cleveland . . .	S. M. Merrill . . .	J. J. Manker
1873 .	October 1 . . .	Knoxville . . .	G. Haven	J. J. Manker
1874 .	Sept. 30 . . .	Chattanooga .	E. G. Andrews . .	J. J. Manker
1875 .	Sept. 29 . . .	Greeneville . .	T. Bowman	J. J. Manker
1876 .	October 4 . . .	Kingston . . .	L. Scott	J. J. Manker
1877 .	Sept. 27 . . .	Knoxville . . .	W. L. Harris	J. J. Manker
1878 .	October 2 . . .	New Market . .	L. Scott	J. J. Manker
1879 .	October 15 . .	Knoxville . . .	I. W. Wiley	J. J. Manker
1880 .	October 20 . .	Greeneville . .	E. O. Haven	J. D. Roberson
1881 .	October 20 . .	Maryville . . .	E. G. Andrews . .	J. S. Hill
1882 .	October 19 . .	Chattanooga .	M. Simpson	J. S. Hill
1883 .	October 17 . .	Knoxville . . .	T. Bowman	J. S. Hill
1884 .	October 16 . .	Greeneville . .	H. W. Warren . . .	T. B. Russell
1885 .	October 15 . .	Johnson City .	J. F. Hurst	T. B. Russell
1886 .	October 21 . .	Athens	W. F. Mallalieu . .	T. B. Russell
1887 .	October 12 . .	Knoxville . . .	E. G. Andrews . .	T. B. Russell
1888 .	October 10 . .	Cleveland . . .	J. N. FitzGerald . .	T. B. Russell
1889 .	October 9 . . .	Dayton	I. W. Joyce	T. B. Russell
1890 .	October 8 . . .	Greeneville . .	J. M. Walden	T. B. Russell
1891 .	October 21 . .	Chattanooga .	W. X. Ninde	T. B. Russell
1892 .	October 5 . . .	Morristown . .	C. D. Foss	T. B. Russell
1893 .	October 17 . .	Maryville . . .	S. M. Merrell	T. B. Russell
1894 .	October 17 . .	Johnson City .	R. S. Foster	T. B. Russell
1895 .	October 9 . . .	Knoxville . . .	D. A. Goodsell . . .	T. B. Russell
1896 .	Sept. 30 . . .	Newport	W. F. Mallalieu . .	J. H. Amis
1897 .	Sept. 23 . . .	Athens	E. G. Andrews . . .	J. H. Amis
1898 .	October 13 . .	Elizabethton .	J. H. Vincent . . .	J. H. Amis

CONFERENCE ROLL.

NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.
Amis, J. H	Clinton	Hodge, T. H	Greeneville
Ayers, R. O	Athens	Hooper, W. W	Athens
Baker, J. A	Sevierville	Hyden, S. W	Maryville
Baker, J. N	Fall Branch	Jennings, J. H	Vineland
Bandy, W. S	Surgoinsville	Jones, J. S	Greeneville
Best, J. S	Madisonville	Jones, J. W	Knoxville
Brown, T. W	Morristown	Julian, G	Cleveland
Bruner, M. C	Athens	Ketron, S. G	Bloomington
Burk, M. R. M	Athens	Kinsland, Wm	Joppa
Byerly, W. R	Baileyton	Lawson, J. D	Wear's Valley
Cadle, A. G	Shawanee	Little, J. B	Wellspring
Caldwell, L. B	Johnson City	Long, W. R	Athens
Cardwell, J. L., Witt's Foundry		Lowe, S. V	Scarborough
Cardwell, J. W	Loudon	Mauker, J. J	Chattanooga
Cass, T. A	Athens	Martin, B. M	Pikeville
Chase, T. G	Athens	McGee, J. W	Johnson City
Clendenen, G. W	Telford	McKenzie, H. W., Elizabethton	
Coleman, G. W	Newport	McLaughlin, E. H	Athens
Cones, F. M	Sevierville	Melear, J. M	Knoxville
Cooke, R. J	Chattanooga	Miller, C. W	Wellspring
Cox, G. B., Keebler's X Roads		Miller, W. C	Morristown
Crist, B	Athens	Miller, I. H	Knoxville
Crowder, L. O	Bank	Monroe, M. H	Wellspring
Durham, J. M	Broadway	Newcomb, G. T., Chattanooga	
Dye, W. M	Chattanooga	Oaks, Hazen	Kingston
Eckles, J. C	Maryville	Ogle, H. B	Lulaville
Emert, J. M	Jellico	Parham, R. A	Knoxville
Fitzgerald, J. B	Chucky City	Perry, J. F	Athens
Francisco, G. T. Johnson City		Petty, J. S	Morristown
Ferguson, E. C	Athens	Peters, A. C	Burrville
Grant, W. S	Chatata	Pile, D. G	Elizabethton
Harmon, J. C	Harriman	Reed, P. H	New Market
Henry, P. H	Maryville	Rippetoe, W. B	Asberry
Hodge, J. C	Baileyton	Roberson, J. D	Loudon

NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.
Robinette, J. J . . .	Maryville	Spence, J. F	Harriman
Rose, A. M	Ebenezer	Stout, G. M	Wellspring
Rowan, G. R	Cleveland	Strange, J. S	Knoxville
Ruble, J. A	Maryville	Simonds, R. A.,	Evanston, Ill.
Rule, M. A	Sevierville	Tallant, J. E . . .	Custer City, Pa.
Russell, T. B . . .	Johnson City	Taber J. M	Chattanooga
Russell, T. H	Wheat	Walker, T. S	White Horn
Seaton, J. B	Bank	West, T. R	Athens
Senter, W. T	Alpha	Watts, M	Elgin
Saville, W. A . . .	Knoxville	Wyatt, C. C . . .	Mountain City
Suavely, A. Y . . .	Wellspring		

Probationers.

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Brockney, W. S . .	Ducktown	Sanders, W. T . . .	Sunbright
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Murphy, A. J . . .	Graysville	Wheeler, W. C . .	Chattanooga
Paul, G. W	Crossville		



THE HOLSTON ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

Held in Elizabethton, Tennessee, October 13th to 17th, 1898.

BISHOP J. H. VINCENT, *Presiding.*

J. H. AMIS, *Secretary*, Clinton, Tenn.

1. Who have been received by transfer, and from what Conference? James M. Taber, N. E. Southern, Walter A. Saville, N. Kansas.

2. Who have been readmitted? None.

3. Who have been received on credentials, and from what Churches? None.

4. Who have been received on trial? (a. In studies of first year.) Andrew J. Murphy.

5. Who have been continued on trial? (a. In studies of first year.) Wm. C. Wheeler. (b. In studies of the second year.) George W. Paul, Robert Walker, Albert B. McKenzie, Wm. S. Brackney, Wm. T. Sanders.

6. Who have been discontinued? None.

7. Who have been admitted into full membership? (a. Elected and ordained deacons this year.) John W. Cardwell, Samuel V. Lowe.

8. What members are in studies of third year? (a. Admitted into full membership this year.) John W. Cardwell, Samuel V. Low. (b. Admitted into full membership pre-

previously.) Royal A. Simonds, James E. Tallant, Robert A. Parham.

9. What members are in studies of fourth year? Martin Watts.

10. What members have completed the conference course of study? (a. Elected and ordained elders this year.) Burton M. Martin, Jacob S. Best, Wm. S. Bandy.

11. What others have been elected and ordained deacons? (a. As local preachers.) Sabin A. Slagle, James Osborne, Philip Tyson, Silas Frazier.

12. What others have been elected and ordained elders? None.

13. Was the character of each preacher examined? This was strictly attended to, as the name of each preacher was called in open conference.

14. Who have been transferred, and to what conferences? Sherman T. Westhafer, to Genessee; Charles D. Houchins, to Virginia.

15. Who have died? Samuel Greear.

16. Who have been located at their own request? Geo. M. Stone.

17. Who have been located? None.

18. Who have withdrawn? James M. York, J. E. Hughes.

19. Who have been permitted to withdraw under charges or complaints? None.

20. Who have been expelled? None.

21. What other personal notation should be made? The orders of A. B. Ratcliff, an elder in the Methodist Protestant Church and J. J. Henry in the M. E. Church, South, were recognized without admission to the annual conference.

22. Who are the supernumerary preachers? J. B. Seaton, J. A. Baker, J. F. Spence, J. E. Tallant, Martin Watts, A. C. Peters.

23. Who are the superannuated preachers? S. W. Hyden, Geo. Julian, W. R. Long, J. B. Fitzgerald, J. B. Little, R. O. Ayers, P. H. Reed, T. H. Russell, T. A. Cass, Benjamin Crist, J. D. Lawson, J. N. Baker.

24. Who are the triers of appeals? A. C. Peters, J. J. Robinette, J. C. Harman, J. W. McGee, M. A. Rule, T. B. Russell, G. R. Rowan.

25. What is the statistical report for this year? See tabulated statement.

26. What is the aggregate of the benevolent collections as reported by the conference treasurer? \$6076.00.

27. What are the claims on the conference fund? No amount estimated.

28. What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied? \$825.00.

29. Where are the preachers stationed? See appointments.

30. Where shall the next conference be held? Cleveland, Tenn.



HOLSTON CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS, M. E. CHURCH.

ATHENS DISTRICT.

J. F. PERRY, Presiding Elder, P. O. Athens, Tenn.

- Athens E. H. M'Laughlin
- Athens Circuit M. C. Bruner
- Chatata W. S. Grant
- Cleveland G. R. Rowan
- Cleveland Circuit T. G. Chase
- Decatur To be supplied
- Ducktown W. S. Brackney
- Ebenezer and Lenoir A. M. Rose
- Erie J. W. Cardwell
- Friendship To be supplied
- Kingston Hazen Oaks
- Loudon T. R. West
- Madisonville J. S. Best
- Maryville J. J. Robinette
- Maryville Circuit, J. C. Eckles.
W. W. Hooper, M. R. M. Burke,
E. C. Ferguson, professors in
U. S. Grant University, members
of Athens Quarterly Conference.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

J. J. MANKER, Presiding Elder, P. O. Chattanooga, Tenn.

- Chattanooga, Alton Park
. To be supplied
- Avondale W. C. Wheeler
- First Church J. A. Taber
- Highland Park To be supplied
- Hill City To be supplied
- Ridgedale and Tabernacle
. To be supplied
- Sherman Heights To be supplied
- Crossville G. W. Paul
- Daisy To be supplied

- Dayton, Vine Grove and Spring City Robert Walker
- Graysville A. J. Murphy
- Harriman J. C. Harmon
- Jasper To be supplied
- Morgan Springs To be supplied
- Pikeville B. M. Martin
- Rockwood and Glen Alice
. To be supplied
- South Pittsburgh and Kimball
. A. B. McKenzie
- Tracy City To be supplied
- G. T. Newcomb, Dean; R. J. Cooke, Professor in School of Theology, Chattanooga, members of First Church Quarterly Conference. W. M. Dye (First Church Chattanooga Quarterly Conference) left without appointment to attend one of our schools.

CLINTON DISTRICT.

J. D. ROBERSON, Presiding Elder, P. O. Loudon, Tenn.

- Andersonville L. O. Crowder
- Big Valley H B. Ogle
- Clinton J. H. Amis
- Coal Creek To be supplied
- Cumberland Gap A. Y. Snavely
- Deer Lodge To be supplied
- Jamestown To be supplied
- Jellico and Newcomb J. M. Emert
- Maynardsville J. M. Durham
- New River To be supplied
- Oliver Springs To be supplied
- Rutledge T. W. Brown
- Scarbrough S. V. Lowe

Sunbright W. T. Sanders
 Tazewell A. G. Cadle
 Well Spring G. M. Stout
 M. H. Monroe, Principal and C. W. Miller, professor in Powell's Valley Seminary, members of Well Spring Quarterly Conference. R. A. Simonds left without appointment to attend one of our schools, member of Clinton Quarterly Conference.

GREENEVILLE DISTRICT.

G. T. FRANCISCO. Presiding Elder,
 P. O. Johnson City, Tenn.

Bloomington S. G. Ketrone
 Butler To be supplied
 Chucky City G. B. Cox
 Elizabethton and Roan Mountain
 D. G. Pile
 Fall Branch J. W. McGee
 Greeneville J. S. Jones
 Greeneville Circuit . . . T. H. Hodge
 Johnson City L. B. Caldwell
 Johnson City Circuit . . J. C. Hodge
 Jonesboro G. W. Clendennen
 Mountain City C. C. Wyatt
 Newport To be supplied
 Oakland T. S. Walker
 Parrottsville W. R. Byerly
 Rogersville J. H. Jennings
 Sneedville To be supplied
 Surgoinsville W. S. Bandy

Watauga H. W. McKenzie
 T. B. Russell, Conference Evangelist, member of Johnson City Quarterly Conference.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

J. A. RUBLE, Presiding Elder, P. O.
 Maryville, Tenn.

Dandridge P. H. Henry
 Elm Grove and Jones' Chapel
 R. A. Parham
 Fair Garden W. T. Senter
 Holston J. L. Cardwell
 Knoxville, Asylum street
 W. A. Saville
 East Main Street I. H. Miller
 First Church J. W. Jones
 Luttrell Street J. M. Melear
 Knoxville Circuit . William Kinsland
 Little River To be supplied
 Morristown W. C. Miller
 Morristown Circuit . To be supplied
 New Salem J. S. Strange
 Newport G. W. Coleman
 Pigeon Forge To be supplied
 Sevierville M. A. Rule
 Thorn Grove W. B. Rippetoe
 J. S. Petty, Assistant editor Methodist Advocate Journal, member Morristown Quarterly Conference. F. M. Cones, Field Agent Murphy College, member of Sevierville Quarterly Conference.

HOLSTON CONFERENCE JOURNAL.

ELIZABETHTON, TENN., Oct. 13, 1898.

OPENING.—The Thirty-fourth Annual Session of the Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened here this morning at 8:30, with Bishop John H. Vincent, D. D., LL. D., of Topeka, Kansas, presiding.

SACRAMENT.—The Bishop conducted the devotional services, after which, assisted by the Presiding Elders and others, he administered the holy communion.

ROLL CALL.—The conference roll was called by the former Secretary, and sixty members and eight probationers answered to their names. Samuel Greear, deceased, C. D. Houchins and S. T. Westhafer, transferred; J. E. Hughes, withdrawn.

ELECTIONS.—J. H. Amis was elected Secretary; J. M. Emert, Statistical Secretary; Hazen Oaks, Treasurer; and each was given the privilege of choosing his own assistants.

BAR.—On motion of T. R. West the Bar of the conference was fixed on a line with the sixth seat from the front.

TIME.—The time for meeting and adjourning was fixed at 8:30 and 11:45 a. m.

On motion of G. W. Coleman, the Presiding Elders were appointed to nominate the standing committees.

On motion of Dr. Cooke, the Presiding Elders were requested to appoint the standing committees for the next annual conference, and have them printed in the minutes of this conference.

EFFECTIVE ELDERS.—There being nothing against the Effective Elders, their characters were passed.

COLLECTIONS REPORTED.—On motion of D. G. Pile, and amended by G. W. Coleman, the pastors were required to report the missionary collections, if all the collections were taken, and the total of all collections.

REPORTED.—The following Effective Elders presented their reports: M. C. Bruner, W. S. Grant, G. R. Rowan, T. G. Chase, T. R. West, Hazen Oaks, G. M. Stout, E. H. McLaughlin, J. J. Robinette and J. C. Eckles.

W. W. Hooper, M. R. M. Burke and E. C. Furguson were not in charge.

STANDING COMMITTEES.—J. D. Roberson read the list of standing committees, and they were approved by the conference.

INTRODUCED.—W. E. Grose, agent of the Book Concern at Cincinnati, was introduced and addressed the conference on the interests of the Book Concern.

CHARACTER OF P. E. PASSED.—The characters of the P. E.'s having passed, J. F. Perry, P. E., of the Athens District; J. D. Roberson, of the Clinton District; J. J. Manker, of the Chattanooga District, and S. G. Ketron, of the Greeneville District, read their reports.

PAPERS REFERRED.—Papers on Education, Freedmen's Aid, Epworth League, Church Extension, Missions, Sunday Schools and Tracts, were referred to the proper committees.

The Gospel in All Lands was put into the hands of M. A. Rule.

T. B. Russell was appointed to solicit subscriptions for the *Methodist Review*.

TIME.—On motion of R. J. Cooke, the time for voting on the proposition of Equal Representation in the General Conference be just after the reading of the journal tomorrow morning.

VOTE.—On motion of J. A. Ruble, it was decided to vote on the above proposition by ballot.

STATE OF THE COUNTRY.—Dr. Cooke read a strong paper and resolutions on the State of the Country, and on motion the paper was received and the resolutions adopted.

INTRODUCED.—Rev. G. D. French, field agent of the American Bible Society for Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana, Rev. T. J. Crumly, of the Virginia Conference, and J. C. Dwyer, of the Christian Church, were introduced to the conference.

It was decided by vote to hold a statistical session this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

DR. FRENCH.—Dr. French addressed the conference on the great work of the American Bible Society.

ADJOURNED.—After announcements conference adjourned by expiration of time to meet at 2 o'clock.

Benediction by the Bishop.

Afternoon Session.

Conference met at 2 o'clock.

After singing G. W. Coleman lead the conference in prayer.

STATISTICS—The bishop called the roll, the statistics and benevolent money collected, and the pastors who had not reported their missionary collections made their reports.

J. A. Ruble, P. E., of the Knoxville district read his report.

CHANGED RELATION.—J. N. Baker was called, his character passed and at his own request his relation was changed from supernumerary to the superannuated relation.

MADE EFFECTIVE.—The character of F. M. Cones was passed and at his own request he was made effective.

SUPERNUMERARY.—J. B. Seaton, J. F. Spence, J. E. Tallant and Martin Watts, after the passage of their character, were continued in the supernumerary relation.

J. E. TALLANT.—On motion of J. A. Ruble, the secretary was requested to correspond with J. E. Tallant and learn of his relation.

SUPERANNUATED.—The following names were called and after the passage of their character were continued in the

superannuated relation : S. W. Hyden, Geo. Julian, W. R. Long, J. B. Fitzgerald, J. B. Little, R. O. Ayers, P. H. Reed, T. H. Russell, T. A. Cass, Benj. Crist and J. D. Lawson.

REFERRED.—Papers in regard to the expenses of the general conference and Episcopal fund were referred to the presiding elders.

DRAFTS.—The bishop announced that the conference was allowed the following dividends : \$463.00 from the Book Concern, \$22.00 from the chartered fund, and on motion the drafts were ordered properly signed and placed in the hands of the Board of Stewards.

On motion one man from each district was appointed to assist the treasurer in his work.

On motion conference adjourned for preaching.

SECOND DAY.

ELIZABETHTON, TENN., Oct. 14, 1898.

Conference opened this morning with a very beautiful and instructive service conducted by the bishop, after which the journal of yesterday's sessions was read, and after some amendments, was approved.

EQUAL REPRESENTATION.—The vote on the proposition of equal representation in the General Conference was taken and stood as follows : For 48 ; against, 8.

RECEIVED ON TRIAL.—Fourth question : Who have been received on trial ? Andrew J. Murphy recommended in due form from the Knoxville district was received on trial.

NEXT CONFERENCE—Fifth question : Where shall the next conference be held ?

Chattanooga was put in nomination by J. J. Manker.

Cleveland was nominated by J. J. Robinette. When the vote was taken, Cleveland was selected.

On motion of J. M. Melear, the vote for Cleveland was made unanimous.

BOOK CONCERN.—On motion J. J. Robinette, L. B. Caldwell and G. W. Coleman were appointed a committee on Book Concern accounts.

CONTINUED.—George W. Paul, Robert Walker, Albert B. McKenzie, Wm. S. Brackney and W. T. Sanders were continued on trial in studies of the second year.

W. T. Sanders required to bring up Harman's Introduction to the Scriptures. Wm. C. Wheeler continued in studies of the first year.

DEACON'S ORDERS—John W. Cardwell and Samuel V. Lowe were called forward, addressed very earnestly by the bishop, and after answering affirmatively the disciplinary questions, the former was admitted into full membership and elected to deacon's orders. The latter was continued on trial in studies of the third year.

THIRD YEAR—Robert A. Parham, Royal A. Simonds, J. E. Tallant were continued in studies of the third year.

Royal A. Simonds left without an appointment to attend school.

Martin Watts continued in studies of the fourth year.

ELDER'S ORDERS.—Burton M. Martin, Jacob S. Best, Wm. S. Bandy, having completed the conference course of study were elected to elder's orders.

J. A. Taber and T. B. Russell were granted leave of absence.

ELEVENTH QUESTION.—Under the eleventh question, Sabin A. Slagle, James Osborne, John M. Bailes and Silas H. Frazier were recommended from the Greeneville district and Philip Tyson from the Knoxville district, but no action was taken.

ADDRESS.—Rev. I. H. Correll, D. D., of Japan, was introduced to the conference and delivered a very interesting address concerning our work in Japan.

After announcements conference adjourned with the benediction by Dr. Correll.

THIRD DAY.

ELIZABETHTON, TENN., Oct. 15, 1898.

Conference opened this morning with devotional services conducted by Bishop Vincent. He gave a very strong, clear and forcible lecture on the work of the ministry and especially revivals.

The journal was read and approved.

INTRODUCED.—Rev. J. H. Race, A. M., Chancellor of U. S. Grant University, and Rev. H. C. Jennings, D. D., agent of the Western Book Concern, were introduced to the conference.

LOCATED.—On motion G. M. Stone was granted a location at his own request.

SUPERNUMERARY.—A. C. Peters was granted a supernumerary relation at his own request.

On motion of J. A. Ruble, J. A. Baker was continued in the supernumerary relation.

A. M. ROSE.—The character of A. M. Rose was passed on the motion of J. A. Ruble.

WITHDRAWN.—On motion of J. J. Manker, J. M. York was permitted to withdraw from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church at his own request.

RELATION CHANGED.—On motion of J. D. Roberson, the relation of A. G. Cadle was changed from supernumerary to effective.

DEACON'S ORDERS.—Sabin A. Slagle, Philip Tyson, James Osborne and Silas H. Frazier were elected to deacon's orders as local preachers.

The case of John M. Bailes was withdrawn.

ADDRESS.—Dr. Jennings addressed the conference on the great interests of the Book Concern.

ORDERS RECOGNIZED.—On motion of S. G. Ketron, the deacons and elders orders of Rev. James H. Henley, from the M. E. Church, South, and the elder's orders of Rev. A. B.

Ratcliff, from the Methodist Protestant Church, were recognized.

RECONSIDERED.—On motion of S. G. Ketron the case of S. V. Lowe was reconsidered. On motion of J. D. Roberson he was admitted into full membership and elected to deacons orders.

On motion of G. W. Coleman it was decided to hold a session this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The time was extended.

The bishop requested Dr. Robinette to take the chair at the afternoon session.

COLLECTION TAKEN.—At the suggestion of the bishop a collection was taken for the benefit of the Colored M. E. Church at Johnson City, amounting to \$21.03.

After announcements, conference adjourned with the benediction by the bishop.

Afternoon Session.

Conference met at 2 o'clock with Dr. Robinette in the chair.

After prayer by P. H. Henry the journal of the morning session was read and approved.

REPORTS RECEIVED—The following reports were presented and adopted :

Auditing Committee, Epworth League, Sunday Schools and Tracts, Board of Stewards, Church Extension, Church Literature, Conference Treasurer, and Statistical Secretary, A. B. Society, Education and District Conference Records.

On motion of G. W. Coleman, the following committee was appointed on resolutions : E. H. McLaughlin, B. M. Martin.

CONFERENCE TREASURER—On motion of G. W. Coleman, the conference treasurer was required to turn over the benevolent money to Dr. Jennings, agent of the Book Concern at Cincinnati, except the money raised in the

Knoxville district for the Freedmen's Aid Society, which was paid to Murphy College.

MISS GREER.—On motion of M. A. Rule the money for Miss Greer was put into the hands of A. Y. Snavely to see that she received it properly.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.—It was announced that the memorial service would be held tomorrow at 2:30 o'clock.

After announcements conference adjourned with the benediction by T. H. Russell.

FOURTH DAY.

ELIZABETHTON, TENN., Oct. 17, 1898.

Conference opened this morning at 8 o'clock with Dr. Cooke in the chair, who conducted the prayer-meeting.

At 8:30 Bishop Vincent took the chair and the journal was read and approved.

TRANSFERS.—The Bishop announced the following transfers: James A. Taber, Jr., from the N. E. Southern, Walter A. Saville from the N. Kansas, to this conference.

Sherman T. Westhafer to the Genessee, Charles D. Houchins to the Virginia from this conference.

PLACED ON FILE.—The credentials of J. J. Henly from the M. E. Church, South, and A. B. Ratcliff, from the Methodist Protestant Church were placed on file.

The Board of examiners was completed by adding J. J. Robinett, L. B. Caldwell, J. M. Meleor, G. R. Rowan, J. W. Jones and B. M. Martin.

T. H. Hodge was appointed to preach the missionary sermon, G. R. Rowan alternate.

The list of standing committees for 1899 were announced and approved by the conference.

CONFERENCE EVANGELIST.—A resolution by J. A. Ruble requesting the bishop to appoint T. B. Russell conference evangelist was adopted. The bishop made the appointment.

RESOLUTIONS.—Resolutions respecting the bishop, people of Elizabethton, railroads, secretaries and treasurer, were adopted.

PAPER REFERRED.—A paper relating to the conference claimants fund was read by T. H. Hodge, received by the conference, referred to a special committee, viz.: J. J. Robinette, J. A. Taber, J. H. Amis, L. B. Caldwell and I. H. Miller, who were to report the second day of the next annual session of the conference.

This committee was requested to fix the day to be observed as special conference claimants day.

TEMPERANCE—The report of the permanent committee on temperance was read by E. H. McLaughlin and adopted.

DR. HARD.—Rev. Manly S. Hard, D. D., of the Church Extension society, was introduced and addressed the conference in the interest of church extension.

PRESIDENT RACE.—Rev. J. H. Race, A. M., addressed the conference on the work of the Freedmen's Aid Society, and the work and prospects of the U. S. Grant University.

Subscriptions amounting to \$875 were taken by Prof. Race for the U. S. Grant University.

DR. NEWCOMB—Dr. Newcomb spoke of the request of Dr. C. H. Payne urging all the pastors to observe Children's day.

DR. COOKE.—Dr. Cooke spoke for a few minutes in the interest of the Methodist Advocate-Journal.

MISSIONS—J. D. Roberson read the appropriations for missions.

A motion to adjourn after the reading of the Journal and appointments was adopted.

LAST ACTION.—The Journal was read, the bishop addressed the conference, read the appointments and conference adjourned with the benediction by the bishop.

J. H. AMIS, *Secretary*. JOHN H. VINCENT, *President*.

REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

U. S. Grant University, that stands as our representative educational institution, has had a reasonably prosperous year. The enrollment for 1897-8, in all departments, was 765. This institution has demonstrated its usefulness in the intellectual and Christian training given to 6,000 or more young men and women during its history. It still appeals with increased earnestness to the pastors of the Holston Conference for their influence and support. Under the wise and able administration of Rev. John H. Race, the recently appointed President, the success of this school ought to be assured.

This institution needs money to relieve it of financial embarrassment and enable it to provide itself with all the modern equipment of a first class university.

The School of Theology, of which Dr. G. T. Newcomb is the Dean, has had a prosperous year. The work it is doing is of immense importance to our work in the South.

We recommend as visitors to this institution the Revs. J. W. Jones and J. J. Robinette.

We recommend that everywhere our preachers emphasize the advice given in our Book of Discipline, page 400: "All candidates for our ministry are earnestly advised to attend one or more of the Literary or Theological institutions of our church before applying to our annual conference for admission on trial."

Classification and Assignment of Studies and Examiners.*President*—G. T. Newcomb.*Registrar*—J. S. Jones.

EXPLANATION—The letter "A" at the right of a given study indicates that it belongs to the class for Admission; the Roman numerals stand for the first, second, third and fourth years; "L. P." for Local Preacher's course. The Arabic numerals following the names of the members of the faculty indicate that they have charge of the subjects of the corresponding numbers in the lists of studies assigned to the respective sections. The letter "M" indicates mid-year examinations.

SECTION I.—Exegetical Theology.*Chairman*—B. M. Martin, 2-7-9.

J. M. Melear, 3-4-5-6-10.

G. T. Newcomb, 1-8-11.

1. Harman's Introduction, Old Testament. (I)
2. Harman's Introduction, New Testament. (II) (M)
3. Exegesis. (I)
4. Exegesis. (II) (M)
5. Exegesis. (III) (M)
6. Exegesis. (IV)
7. Nast's Introduction. (L. P. IV)
8. Biblical Hermeneutics. (III) (M)
9. From Dan to Beersheba. (III)
10. How to Study the Bible. (L. P. II)
11. History of Rationalism. (IV)

SECTION II.—Systematic Theology.*Chairman*—C. W. Miller, 3-4-11-12.

G. W. Coleman, 1-6-10-18-19-20.

T. H. Hodge, 2-7-8-13-17.

J. J. Robbinette, 5-9-14-15-16.

1. Wesley's Sermons, Vol. I. (A)
2. Wesley's Sermons, Vol. II. (1)
3. Miley's Systematic Theology, Vol. I. (I) (M)
4. Miley's Systematic Theology, Vol. II. (II)

5. Wesley's Christian Perfection. (I) (M) (L. P. III)
6. The Supernatural Book. (III)
7. Larger Catechism. (A)
8. Christian Baptism. (L. P. I)
9. Love Enthroned. (L. P. IV)
10. Theological Compend. (L. P. I)
11. Raymond's Systematic Theology, Vol. I. (L. P. II)
12. Raymond's Systematic Theology, Vol. II. (L. P. III)
13. Raymond's Systematic Theology, Vol. III. (L. P. IV)
14. Manual of Christian Evidences. (IV)
15. Butler's Analogy. (IV) (M)
16. Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation. (L. P. I)
17. Doctrinal Aspects of Christian Experience. (A) (L. P. III)
18. The Christian Life. (IV)
19. Social Aspects of Christianity. (A)
20. Ecclesiastical Architecture. (I)

SECTION III.—Historical Theology.

Chairman—J. S. Jones, 5-6-7-8-9-13-14.

L. B. Caldwell, 1-2-3-4-10-11-12.

1. Scripture History. (A)
2. Life of John Wesley. (A) (L. P. I)
3. History of American Methodism. (A)
4. History of the Missions of the M. E. Church. (II)
5. History of Methodism. (II)
6. Hurst's History of the Christian Church. (M Vol. I)
(III) (IV) (L. P. II & III)
7. Life and Epistles of St. Paul. (IV)
8. Portrait of St. Paul. (L. P. III)
9. Life of Bishop Simpson. (L. P. III)
10. Life of Durbin. (L. P. IV)
11. Outlines of Bible History. (L. P. I)
12. The Historic Episcopate. (III)
13. Christian Archæology. (II)
14. Theological Encyclopædia and Methodology. (IV) (M)

SECTION IV.—**Practical Theology.**

Chairman—T. B. Russell, 3-5-7-9-11-13-14.

T. S. Walker, 1-2-4-6-8-10-12.

1. Discipline of M. E. Church. (A) (L. P. I) (M)
2. Protestant Foreign Missions. (IV)
3. Theory and Practice of Preaching. (I)
4. Tongue of Fire. (I) (L. P. I)
5. Governing Conference in Methodism. (I)
6. General Conference and Episcopacy. (II)
7. Principles of Rhetoric. (I) (L. P. III)
8. The Modern Sunday School. (II)
9. The Epworth League. (III)
10. Lectures on Preaching. (L. P. II)
11. Preparation and Delivery of Sermons. (IV)
12. Hints to Self-Educated Ministers. (L. P. I)
13. The Revival and the Pastor. (A) (L. P. I)
14. Digest of Methodist Law. (II) (L. P. IV)

SECTION V.—**History.**

Chairman—G. R. Rowan, 2-3-7-9-10.

J. W. Jones, 1-4-5-6-8-11.

1. Leading Facts of American History. (A)
2. Outlines of Universal History. Part I. (I)
3. Outlines of Universal History. Part II. (II)
4. English and American Literature. (A) (L. P. II)
5. History of the English People. (A)
6. Living Thoughts of John Wesley. (L. P. III)
7. Lessons in Logic. (II)
8. Elements of Psychology. (III)
9. Introduction to Political Economy. (III)
10. Problems of Religious Progress. (I)
11. Essays.

Mid-year examinations will be held about the first of May on the books marked "M." Examiners who have these studies are requested to send questions on them to the chairman by the first of April. Students may have the

privilege of choosing the examiner to conduct the examination by notifying the chairman a month before the time set for the examination.

The School of Medicine has now reached the tenth year of its history. The Dean, Dr. E. A. Cobleigh, who was relieved from duties pertaining to the office during the past year because of protracted illness, having recovered his health, is again in charge of the department, officially assisted by the secretary, Dr. C. R. Rathmell.

Last year there were one hundred and fifty-three matriculants, the largest number in the history of the school. For two years this department has occupied one end of our university building. An efficient Faculty, and a thorough course of study, are provided for our young people who are looking to the school of medicine.

The School of Law.—On October the 10th, under the direction of Prof. John William Farr, Jr., A. M., the Dean, the recently organized School of Law was opened in our university building, with forty students in attendance. Every indication points to a successful future for this important addition to the professional schools of our university.

We recommend that the preachers of the Holston Conference observe Children's Day in all their charges and present the claims of the BOARD OF EDUCATION as required by the Discipline.

Powell's Valley Seminary is under the management of Prof. Monroe. The outlook for this school is hopeful. All departments are doing good work.

The Wesleyan Academy, at Chucky City, is under the supervision of Prof. Roark, and is going, with hopefulness for the future.

Oakland Seminary is under the supervision of Prof. W. T. Guthrie, assisted by a number of competent teachers. This is a good school, with encouraging prospects for future useful work.

Murphy College.—This co-educational institution situated at Sevierville, Tenn., within the bounds of the Knoxville District, has made a commendable showing for the past year, and enters upon the work of the present year with renewed zeal, with promises of excellent results. Within the last year the debt on the college was considerably reduced. Before the opening of the present season some changes in the Board of Instruction were made. Prof. Alvis Craig, A. B., was elected President, and Prof. C. H. Hicks, A. B., to the Chair of Latin and Mathematics, both of whom are graduates of Grant Memorial University.

The Girls' Industrial Home, inaugurated two years ago, has thus far proved a decided success. The expense of board in this home, including room, fuel and lights, will not exceed \$4.20 per month. It is conducted on the co-operative plan, and will accommodate forty students. Students entering the college at any time during the year can readily procure board and rooms at reasonable rates and a satisfactory classification in studies. Rev. F. M. Cones, Ph. D., of this conference, has recently been elected by the Board of Trustees Financial Agent of this institution, and it is the request of that board that he, by the conference, be appointed to this agency. Within the past sixty days \$85.00 in cash and pledges have been received by the agent, with indications of generous donations in the near future. For catalogues, address the President, or R. H. Andes, Secretary.

Kingsley Seminary.—Kingsley Seminary, at Bloomingdale, Tennessee, founded twenty-one years ago, has, from the beginning, been under the management of the present principal, Joseph H. Ketron, A. M. It is situated in Sullivan county, and near the Tennessee and Virginia State line. The location of this school is such as not, naturally, to interfere with the interests of any other seminary of our church.

The history of the institution shows that, while the largest part of its patronage is from East Tennessee, South-west Virginia, and Southeastern Kentucky, students have

been received from thirteen different States. From the beginning, 907 different students have been received. Of this number, 496 have been non-residents. So far as can be ascertained, 228 have been trained for teaching and fifty-one have studied for the ministry.

Kingsley Seminary has, during these twenty-one years, been meeting a real want in the territory from which most of its patronage comes.

The character of the school has been such as to secure the confidence of good, intelligent people.

We commend this school, and urge our people there to aid in its further development.

Parrottsville Academy.—Parrottsville Academy is situated at Parrottsville, Cocke county., Tenn., seven miles from Newport. The academy building is 40x50 feet, three stories high, located on a beautiful lot in the center of the village.

The location is good for educational work, and for building up our Methodism. The school was successful last year under the management of F. W. Parrott, with competent assistants. The school is in a prosperous condition.

We recommend this school to the people of the patronizing territory.

Holston Seminary.—This is good school property, in the town of New Market, Tenn., most beautifully located, and well worth \$2,500.

For several years the school had been neglected, but during the past two years the property has been improved to the extent of \$300, and the efficiency of the school greatly increased. The history of this well-known institution need not be repeated to the members of the Holston Conference, who are acquainted with hundreds of people, throughout the bounds of this conference, who testify by their business ability and Christian integrity to the affective training received in Holston Seminary.

R. J. COOKE,
Secretary.

CHARLES C. WYATT,
Chairman.

Epworth League Work.

The seed time of the mind and heart is in childhood and youth, hence the recognized and paramount necessity of the church laboring for the cultivation of the mind and heart of her children and young people, as well as for their conversion.

Therefore, recognizing the Epworth League, with its junior department, one of the best institutions of the church for the accomplishment of these ends, we do rejoice in the organization already of nearly a hundred Senior and Junior Leagues within the bounds of the Holston Conference.

Yet, realizing the fact that even this number is by far inadequate to the needs of our people, we do earnestly recommend that every pastor and presiding elder be faithful and diligent in the discharge of his duty with regard to Epworth Leagues, as laid down in paragraphs 340 and 341 of the Discipline.

We still recommend to our Epworth Leaguers, generally, a greater devotion to the reading of our church literature and the Discipline, and especially the Epworth League reading course, consisting of the following books :

“Every Day Science,” “The Star of the West,” “The Founding of the New World,” and “The Makers of Methodism.”

We rejoice in the interest manifested in our conference and district leagues, and most heartily commend our Epworth Leaguers in their endeavors to teach systematic giving by the scriptural method of tithing.

We rejoice also that it is manifest among the Epworth Leaguers of the Holston Conference that while due attention is given to all departments of league work, yet that fundamental and essential department of spirituality is not neglected. So may it continue forever.

We hereby memorialize the General Conference that they should furnish, in the blanks for pastor's reports, space for reports of Epworth Leagues, as for the Sunday School.

Respectfully recommended by your committee.

R. A. PARHAM, *Secretary.*

Report of Committee on Temperance.

We more and more realize the great value of more complete organization of the Anti-Saloon League in our churches, and we regret the apparent lack of interest on the part of our preachers in this grand movement.

We earnestly request all our pastors to observe the fourth Sunday in November as Temperance Sunday, to take the collection, and apply the proceeds as heretofore directed.

As soon as possible, the Permanent Committee will arrange the District Organization, and we beg our brethren to take more active interest in the work of organization.

We also recommend that J. A. Ruble and S. G. Ketron be our representatives to the National Convention of Anti-Saloon Leagues, and T. H. Hodge and G. T. Francisco as alternates.

E. H. McLAUGHLIN,
J. H. AMIS,
J. M. MELEAR,
I. H. MILLER,
G. T. NEWCOMB, D. D.,
D. G. PILE,
T. H. HODGE,

Permanent Committee.

Church Literature.

We believe that Christian Literature is essential to intelligent Christian living, and that our Methodist periodicals so well adapted to the needs of our people should be in every Methodist home.

We highly appreciate, and heartily commend the editor of the Advocate Journal for the change that has recently been made in the form and size of that paper, and in view of the fact that it represents our local interests, and does a work that can be accomplished by no other periodical published by our church, we therefore urge every pastor to use his utmost endeavors to enlarge its circulation.

We recognize the advantage of an agent in the interest of the Advocate Journal, and we respectfully request the appointment by the Bishop of the Rev. J. S. Petty to said agency.

We commend the Methodist Review, the Epworth Herald, the Gospel in all Lands as periodicals which should be read by our people.

We also insist that all our Sunday Schools should use the lesson helps that are published by our Book Concern.

We deplore the fact that in many of our charges our Methodist Hymnals are supplanted by books whose only merit consists in the price at which they can be secured, and we ask our preachers to use all diligence to secure our own hymn books for the use of our churches.

In view of the fact that books of great merit are offered by our book agents at a nominal price above the actual cost, we recommend that our pastors imitate the efforts of our fathers and place those books in circulation.

J. S. JONES, *Secretary*.

J. C. ECKLES, *Chairman*.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools and Tracts.

The attention of the conference is called to the fact that last year the Methodist Episcopal Church had 31,228 Sunday Schools, with 349,085 officers and teachers, and 2,644,215 scholars, of which 127,286 were converted during the year.

We recommend that earnest effort be made, during the entire incoming year, to lead all the children to Christ.

Occasionally turn the class exercise into a class meeting, and again into a regular revival service, with an altar in the class, and each Christian boy or girl an active evangelist.

In this way hundreds of children and grown people are brought to Christ.

See to it, brethren, that we have Sunday Schools at all our places of worship, and never "let up" until Christ is enthroned in the hearts of all the children, since the Sunday School of today is the Church of tomorrow.

Our Tract Society is doing great good by sending their silent evangelists into millions of homes, and the "sweet story of love" to millions of hearts.

Brethren, please do all you can to help on these great auxiliaries of our church.

ISAAC H. MILLER.

Church Extension.

From 1866 until September 1, 1898, this society raised and disbursed \$6,124,000. The general fund which is made up of gifts of various classes and collections has reached the aggregate of \$3,937,000. It has also a permanent loan fund of \$1,036,000, and \$1,157,000 have been returned by churches which have borrowed, making an aggregate fund for loan purposes of \$2,187,000 up to date; 10,824 churches have been aided, or more than one-third of all the churches in the connection. Nearly 150 churches in our own southern territory have been aided by these funds; by donation \$30,683.98, by loan \$31,753 65. The amount asked from this conference for the coming year is \$1,000. On this basis needy churches may receive, on approved application, \$1,000; these donations will depend upon the proportion of the \$1,000 raised by this conference.

Therefore, your committee most thoroughly commend the following resolutions:

1. We congratulate the Board of Church Extension, and the church generally on the remarkable success of this society through a period of 32 years.

2. That the rapidly increasing population, in a comparatively new country, with new territory being added, demands the work of this society as much now as at any period of its existence.

3. That as a conference, an integral part of the great whole, the church, we cannot afford to neglect the interests of the Church Extension Society.

4. That we request our presiding elders to carefully apportion the amount to be raised by this conference to

each pastoral charge, and that we pledge our most hearty co-operation in raising said amount.

L. B. CALDWELL,
J. J. ROBINETTE,
J. M. DURHAM.

American Bible Society.

WHEREAS, The American Bible Society has been greatly hindered in its work on account of financial embarrassment, we, your committee, recommend that all the pastors make an earnest effort to increase our collections, therefore, for this most worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. HODGE,
T. G. CHASE,
T. H. HODGE,
W. C. WHEELER.

Report of Auditing Committee.

Your committee report that they have examined the accounts of the Presiding Elders and find them correct.

Respectfully submitted,

T. R. WEST,
W. R. BYERLY,
J. S. STRANGE,
G. M. STOUT.

District Conference Records.

We, the Committee on District Conference Records, have examined the records of the Athens, Clinton, Knoxville and Greeneville Districts, and find them in good condition.

W. S. GRANT, *Secretary*.

NOTE.--Pages 25, 26 and 27 belong to the Conference Course, and are not a part of the Course of Theology in U. S. Grant University.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

DEACONS—John W. Cardwell, Samuel V. Lowe, Sabin A. Slagle, Philip Tyson, James Osborne, Silas H. Frazier.

ELDERS—Burton M. Martin, Jacob S. Best, William S. Bandy.

This is to certify that on Sabbath, October 16, 1898, by authority of the Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, I ordained the above brethren as there enrolled.

JOHN H. VINCENT, *Bishop*.

ELIZABETHTON, TENN., October 17, 1898.

Report of Board of Stewards.

From Chartered Fund	\$ 22 00
From Book Concern	463 00
From Conference Collections	340 00

Total \$825 00

R. O. Ayers	\$ 40 00	Paid to B. Crist.	
Mrs. W. B. Ballenger	15 00	“	W. S. Grant
Mrs. Daniel Carter	5 00	“	P. H. Reed
Mrs. E. B. Clark	15 00	“	J. J. Manker
Mrs. W. C. Dailey	50 00	“	J. W. Jones
Mrs. W. H. H. Duggan	10 00	“	J. F. Perry
Mrs. John Forrester	20 00	“	J. D. Roberson
Mrs. E. L. Fillmore	50 00	“	G. T. Newcomb
Miss ——— Greer	25 00	“	A. Y. Snavelly
Mrs. Wm. Haskall	5 00	“	J. S. Jones
Mrs. J. R. Hughes	5 00	“	D. H. Gibson
S. W. Hyden	35 00	“	J. J. Robinette
Minor son of D. S. Hodsdon	10 00	“	M. A. Rule
Mrs. W. T. Jones	70 00	“	J. F. Perry
George Julian	5 00	“	G. R. Rowan
Mrs. D. B. Lawton	15 00	“	J. J. Manker
J. B. Little	5 00	“	J. M. Emert
W. R. Long	40 00	“	Himself
Mrs. J. P. Milburn	10 00	“	G. B. Cox
Mrs. J. F. Morrison	20 00	“	T. S. Walker

Mrs. J. P. Morton	60 00	Paid to J. M. Emert
P. H. Reed	75 00	“ Himself
T. H. Russell	50 00	“ Himself
Mrs. W. H. Rogers	15 00	“ G. R. Rowan
Mrs. M. Seaton	20 00	“ G. B. Cox
Mrs. Elijah Still	5 00	“ T. G. Chase
Mrs. A. G. Watkins	5 00	“ J. D. Roberson
Mrs. A. F. Cresswell	25 00	“ J. A. Ruble
Mrs. J. D. Lawson	5 00	“ M. A. Rule
Mrs. Daniel Richardson	30 00	“ A. Y. Snavelly
B. Crist	50 00	“ Himself
T. A. Cass	35 00	“ B. Crist
Total	<u>\$825 00</u>	
M. A. RULE,		B. M. MARTIN,
<i>Secretary.</i>		<i>Chairman.</i>

Apportionment to the Districts.

Episcopal Fund.	
Athens	60
Chattanooga	80
Clinton	47
Greeneville	87
Knoxville	100
General Conference Expenses.	
Athens	54
Chattanooga	72
Clinton	42
Greeneville	78
Knoxville	90
Missionary Appropriations.	
ATHENS DISTRICT—	
Athens	\$ 50 00
Erie	50 00
Friendsville	75 00
Maryville circuit	25 00
Ducktown	70 00
Kingston	130 00
Total	<u>\$ 400 00</u>

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT—

Alton Park	\$ 40 00
Avondale	45 00
Hill City	40 00
Ridgedale	50 00
Sherman Heights	40 00
Crossville	180 00
Daisy	50 00
Dayton and Vine Grove	50 00
Morgan Springs	50 00
Pikeville	80 00
South Pittsburg and Kimball	175 00
Tracy City	40 00
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Total	\$ 840 00

CLINTON DISTRICT—

Clinton	\$ 90 00
Cumberland Gap	40 00
Deer Lodge	40 00
Jellico and Newcomb	100 00
Maynardville	40 00
Oliver Springs	40 00
Sunbright	40 00
Jamestown	30 00
Scarborough	40 00
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Total	\$ 460 00

GREENEVILLE DISTRICT—

Elizabethton	\$ 80 00
Greeneville	50 00
Johnson City	50 00
Johnson City circuit	40 00
Mountain City	100 00
Rogersville	50 00
Surgoinville	30 00
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Total	\$ 400 00

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT—

Elm Grove and Jones' Chapel	\$ 60 00
East Main Street	300 00
Newport	70 00
Morristown	70 00
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Total	\$ 500 00

Report of the Secretary on the Minutes for 1897.

Received for advertisements	\$ 56 25
“ on subscriptions	67 28
Brought forward from last year	2 60
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Total	\$126 13
Paid for printing	\$105 00
“ “ expressage, postage, R. R. fare, etc	17 11
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Total	\$122 11
Balance on hand	\$ 4 02

J. H. AMIS, *Secretary*.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That we fully appreciate the hearty reception given this conference by the citizens of Elizabethton, and that we tender our thanks to the people of the town and the pastor of the church for the kindness shown us and the splendid entertainment we have enjoyed in the homes of the people.

E. H. McLAUGHLIN,
B. M. MARTIN.

Resolved, That we extend our thanks to the authorities of the East Tennessee and Western North Carolina railroad

and the Southern Railroad for the reduced rates given and favors shown the members of this conference.

E. H. McLAUGHLIN,
B. M. MARTIN.

Resolved, That as a conference we appreciate the faithful services rendered by the secretaries and treasurer, and pledge them our hearty thanks now, and ever our support in all their duties.

E. H. McLAUGHLIN,
B. M. MARTIN.

Resolved, That the presidency of Bishop John H. Vincent over the present session of the Holston Conference meets our approval, and that his lectures, addresses from time to time and his preaching have been inspiring in the highest degree, and we believe that the effects of his presence among us will be long felt for good, and we trust that in the Providence of God he will again be permitted to preside over this conference.

E. H. McLAUGHLIN,
B. M. MARTIN.

Practical Suggestions.

1. Be sure your report is correct, and be ready to report the first day of the conference.
2. Study carefully the actions, reports and resolutions adopted by the conference.
3. Keep this Annual for reference.
4. Please remember this book cost something—labor, time, patience and money.

J. H. AMIS, *Secretary*.

Certificate of the Secretary.

I certify that this pamphlet contains a complete record of the official proceedings of the Thirty-fourth Session of the Holston Conference.

J. H. AMIS, *Secretary*.

Special Notice.

READER—Please remember our friends who have advertised in this book and when trading give them a call, and mention this Annual.

J. H. AMIS, *Secretary.*

HOLSTON'S PATRIOTISM.

The following paper and resolutions, prepared by Dr. R. J. Cooke and signed by the Bishop and the Presiding Elders, was unanimously adopted by the Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, assembled at Elizabethton :

To the Church of God has been committed by her Divine Founder the moral and spiritual interests of the nations. Nothing that affects the moral life of the individual or the state is foreign to her. Neither by indifference to the acts of government, nor by lack of sympathy with a people in the mighty struggles incident to their development, can she fulfill the obligations imposed upon her. In closest relation to the multiform phases of national life, the social, political, moral and intellectual activities of the people, it is her imperative duty, as the divinely appointed guide and teacher of righteousness, to define, in the spirit of the Gospel, her position on all questions affecting the spiritual interests of men and nations.

Never since the war drum ceased to throb at Appomattox and the battle flags were furled over a united people has our beloved country passed through such a crucial test or engaged in an event so momentous and of such far-reaching influence upon the destiny of our nation for all time to come as our recent conflict with the kingdom of Spain. The outcome of this war has been marvelous. The cry of the oppressed has been heard; shackles forged by a merciless despotism have been struck from peoples in two oceans; political and religious freedom have been given those who knew no liberty but that enjoyed by their enslavers in

church and state, and the American people, as the instrument of Providence in producing these results, have become as never before a mighty power for the possible uplifting of modern civilization to higher levels of Christian thought and purpose. Out of the glorious victories won by American valor, under such Christian heroes as Dewey, Sampson, Miles, Wheeler, Philips and Schley, there have also come to us as a nation and to the Church of God many weighty responsibilities, such responsibilities as are sufficient to test to the utmost the fullest strength of our people and our government and to require without measure all wisdom from above to guide us in right paths for the universal good of man and the glory of God in the expansion of His kingdom on the earth.

Appreciating these truths, which appeal to all alike, be it

Resolved, That we, the Ministers of the Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in conference assembled, offer our thanks to Almighty God for the victories which have crowned our country's arms on land and sea.

Resolved, That we hereby express our well-grounded confidence in the patriotism and the wise and successful statesmanship and strong Christian character of our nation's President, William McKinley, and in the heroic leaders and defenders of our united and heaven-favored land.

JOHN H. VINCENT,

J. F. PERRY,

J. D. ROBERSON,

S. G. KETRON,

J. A. RUBLE.



REPORT OF PRESIDING ELDERS.

ATHENS DISTRICT.

THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE HOLSTON ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The Athens District as now composed embraces the territory included in the counties of Bradley, Meigs, McMinn, Blount, Polk, Monroe, Loudon and part of James, Knox and Roane.

In the district there are sixteen (16) pastoral charges, four stations and twelve circuits. Organically it is the same as last year, with the exception of emerging North Athens Circuit into the Erie and Athens circuits, and the creation of the Friendsville circuit. At the last session of the conference pastors were appointed to all these charges except two, Madisonville and Friendsville circuits, were left to be supplied.

Soon after conference I secured the services of Rev. P. H. Scarbrough, who was placed in charge of Madisonville circuit. Rev. D. H. Gibson, a local deacon, has supplied the Friendsville circuit during the year. All the pastors appointed to charges entered promptly upon their work except Rev. A. M. Rose, who on account of remoteness from the work, financial embarrassments and family afflictions and the hope of an exchange, failed to go to his work. The charge was held open nearly three months before being permanently supplied, hoping that Brother Rose would be able to enter upon the work. On the 25th of December, D. A. Sullivan, a supernumerary member of the Georgia conference, now living in the bounds of the district took charge of the work.

The pastors, with but few exceptions, have been faithful and true to the trust committed; careful and painstaking in all the details of the work, with a fair measure of success. The spiritual condition of the district is good. Successful revivals have been held on nearly all the charges. There have been 642 conversions, 310 accessions to the church. Prayer and class-meetings are held regularly on a number of the charges, with good results.

The financial condition of the district is not what it should be, although it compares favorably with other years. The following statement will set forth the financial condition of the district:

1. Ministerial support last year:
 - (1) Claims in the aggregate \$6,652
 - (2) Receipts in the aggregate 5,499
 - (3) Deficiency in the aggregate 1,153
2. Ministerial support this year:
 - (1) Claims in the aggregate \$6,854
 - (2) Receipts in the aggregate 5,894
 - (3) Deficiency in the aggregate 960

Making a gain of \$355 in ministerial support.

The receipts for benevolences as compared with last year, for missions: Receipts last year, \$391; this year, \$374, but in the aggregate for all the benevolences, we make a little advance over last year. Paid on missionary debt, \$38.

Two churches are nearing completion: One on the Erie circuit, T. R. West, pastor; one on Lenoir circuit, J. W. Cardwell, pastor. In addition to these we have in course of erection a church on the Friendsville circuit, D. H. Gibson, pastor. Repairs have been made on church property at Cleveland, Loudon and Kingston, to the amount of \$222. Paid on old indebtedness at Maryville, \$42. One parsonage worth \$600 has been built on the Chatata circuit, free of debt, and the pastor, W. S. Grant, now occupies it.

In the district we have eighty-six (86) organized classes, seventy-three (73) church buildings, with a membership of

about forty-five hundred (4500), fifty-one Sunday schools in active working order, with seven (7) Epworth League chapters more or less active; four Junior Leagues doing well.

One of the great needs of the Athens district is the circulation of our church literature. To supply Methodist people with Methodist literature is a Wesleyan idea. In many of our Methodist homes not a church paper is found. Consequently the masses of our people know but little of the great connectional interests, and work of the church, and as a result have but little interest or sympathy in the work of the church. Our people need the information and inspiration that our church periodicals and books would give and with breadth of information would come breadth of sympathy, increased liberality and activity on all lines of church work.

The educational interest in the bounds of the district is fairly good.

The U. S. Grant University—The College of Liberal Arts, located in the town of Athens, closed on the 18th of May last a very successful year, 300 students were enrolled during the year. About \$300 have been expended in improvements on the buildings and grounds.

The year 1898-99 opens with encouraging prospects. Under the keen eye and vigorous hand of President Race, and his associates, we are looking for splendid achievements. The moral and religious influence thrown around students are of the most elevating character.

The Ritter Industrial Home, under the management of Mrs. M. V. Chapman, is worthy of the highest praise.

Several of the pastors have been hindered in their work by afflictions in the family, but death has entered but one of their homes. The home of Brother and Sister Robinette was made sad by the death of their son James, an unusually bright and promising child, on the 23 day of December, was taken from the home below to the home above. In this sad bereavement Brother and Sister Robinette have the deepest sympathies of their numerous friends.

In reference to my own work as presiding elder, I wish to say that I entered upon the work of the year at Kingston, October 9, and have been constantly engaged during the year—have held sixty (60) quarterly meetings in person, four (4) by proxy; have preached 173 times during the year; have made 320 visits in families throughout the district; baptized six (6) adults and ten (10) children; attended four (4) funerals; held one district conference at Ebenezer, Tenn., August 10-12, attendance fair, the interest good. I have looked after the work committed to my care in all its details to the best of my ability. In the performance of my duties I have traveled during the year 2,200 miles by private conveyance, 1,636 by rail, making a total of 3,836 miles. In the good Providence of God, I have been able to meet, without an exception, each appointment on time.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. PERRY, *Presiding Elder.*

CLINTON DISTRICT.

The preachers and members of the church in the Clinton district have reasons to be thankful to the Giver of Every Good and Perfect Gift for his mercies and blessings during the past conference year. The pastors are all yet alive, none of them during the year have been seriously ill and all with one exception have continued their work to the end of the year. Sickness, however, has invaded some of their homes. Bros. Stout and Lowe have had sad afflictions in their families, the latter, Bro. Lowe, has buried two of his children, two beautiful little boys. Bros. Harmon and Gorman have not had that physical health and vigor needful in the prosecution of the work on mountain circuits such as they have served.

Samuel Greear, a superannuated member of the Holston Conference, who lived in the bounds of this district has been called to his reward during this year. He passed in triumph to the rest that remains for the people of God.

The Clinton district, territorially considered, is a large field, it joins the Virginia, Kentucky and Central Tennessee Annual Conferences, it joins every other district in the Holston Conference, the Chattanooga, Athens, Knoxville, and the Greeneville.

There are sixteen charges in the district dispersed through eleven counties.

There have not been as many revivals as last year owing, perhaps, to the war excitement, but most of the charges have had a creditable amount of revival success, and some have done exceptionally well. I cannot give the exact figures as to the number of conversions, but it will not be far from six hundred, and the accessions to the church about four hundred. The membership of the church in the aggregate will not show very much, if any, increase, owing to the deaths and removals. There has been a large emigration from the mining sections.

Financially, the district never saw a harder year. When this district was formed, nine years ago, the section of country it covered was in a high state of prosperity, the railroads were new or just being built, towns were springing into existence, numerous mines were being opened, timber was plenty, and the lumber business flourished, capital was flowing in and seeking investment, money was lavishly used, everybody that would work could secure employment at good or fancy wages, the farmers and gardeners found a ready market for all their surplus at remunerative prices, but this has all changed, the boom has passed and the collapse has come and numbers of those who once aided the church liberally are now so embarrassed financially that they are unable to meet their own pressing needs. Notwithstanding, we have had these adverse conditions to contend with, a creditable advance has been made in the finances of the district. The preachers in this district deserve and earn better salaries than they receive. I do not think that all the people do as much for God's cause as they might or as they ought. Few, if any, could give very large amounts, but

all could do better than they do. Many have not learned the meaning of the word liberality, they give stintedly and believe they give liberally. One of the greatest obstacles in the way of the growth and prosperity of the church in this section is the inadequate support received by the preachers in the bounds of this district. There are a considerable number of people in the bounds of this district known as Anti-Missionary Baptists, who preach against paying the preachers or contributing to missions, a doctrine that it is easy for some people to believe, and pleasant for many to practice. I am not sure that our own people are all free from its influence. One of the most encouraging features of the work is the Sunday Schools. They continue to grow in numbers, are better supplied with literature. The officers and teachers seem to increase in zeal and give more attention to preparing themselves for useful work, yet in many places the schools are not by any means what they should be, but the outlook brightens.

The League work in Clinton district has never been very strong. It is difficult in the rural sections where the young people are so scattered to get them together for League work. We have a few excellent Leagues and a number of League workers that are not easily excelled.

We had a splendid District League in connection with our District Conference. These were held the last days of July at Scarbrough, were largely attended and were in my opinion of great value to the church.

M. H. Monroe and C. W. Miller, members of the Holston conference, are co-principals of Well Spring Academy, our church school in this district, and are having a prosperous beginning. The present state of things indicates a good year for the school. We have had seven new churches completed in the district during the past conference year. The value of these seven churches is not far from four thousand dollars. We have most of the material on the ground to build three others.

The churches that have been completed are Brunner's Chapel on the Jamestown circuit, a house worth about one thousand dollars; Deer Lodge, on Deer Lodge circuit, a good strong structure worth some eight hundred dollars; Young Chapel, on the Sunbright charge, completed and dedicated; Mount Vernon, on the Andersonville work, completed and dedicated; Mount Moriah, on the Coal Creek circuit, a good house; Thompson's Chapel, on the Big Valley circuit; and Narrow Valley, on the Rutledge circuit—this house has been under way for some time, but was finished and dedicated during the past year.

The church at Jellico has been improved and beautified at considerable cost.

The Mount Vernon Church, on the Sunbright work, has had added to its furniture a new and beautiful Epworth organ. As to my own work, I have held in person fifty-six quarterly meetings, as a rule giving two or more days to each meeting, have administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper fifty-five times, have dedicated three churches, have preached during the year two hundred and forty-four times and have been absent from home and family more than two hundred days.

J. D. ROBERSON,
Presiding Elder.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

The Chattanooga district, both in extent of territory and in the number of pastoral appointments, is the largest in the conference; but in financial ability and available resources for aggressive work it is one of the weakest. Much of the district is mountainous. Nearly all the circuits are large, and some of them among sparsely settled sections of the country.

In the smaller towns our churches have a struggle to maintain their position and meet their current expenses.

Of the twenty-one pastoral charges in the district, twelve have been served by members of the conference, and nine, according to the published list of appointments, were to be served by supplies. But two members of conference, assigned by the bishop to appointments in the district, fell out of the ranks at the very beginning of the year. The Rev. A. S. Beaman, transferred from the Blue Ridge conference during our last session, was appointed to the Jasper circuit. But when Bishop Andrews went from our conference to the Blue Ridge he transferred Bro. Beaman back to that conference, making no provision for supplying his place here.

J. E. Hughes, a member of the conference, was assigned to Hill City, but in less than a week after the adjournment of conference he united with the Holston Conference of the M. E. Church, South. His place in Hill City was filled by the appointment of A. N. Crabtree, a theological student, and the interests of the church do not appear to have suffered by the change.

T. H. Conner, who had been appointed supply on the Kimball circuit, was appointed to the vacant charge and has filled it acceptably, and his place on the Kimball circuit was filled by W. T. Dugan, an efficient and faithful local preacher.

By the voluntary location of Bro. J. C. Wright just at the moment of adjournment of our last session of conference, Highland Park was deprived of the services of the pastor chosen for that place, and it was left to be supplied. Upon the urgent written request of the official board, the Rev. Dr. Ackerman, residing within the bounds of that charge, was assigned to that pastorate, and has filled it very acceptably and successfully during the year.

Harriman, a very important church and anxious to have a pastor from among our conference preachers, was nevertheless of necessity left to be supplied. About the first of December, on the concurrent recommendation of the official board and the presiding elder, the Rev. W. A. Saville, was

transferred from the Southwestern Kansas Conference and appointed to Harriman by Bishop Andrews, and has done a faithful year's work, and his financial report will show gratifying results.

Crossville circuit was supplied by O. B. Rector, a most worthy local preacher residing within the bounds of the work.

John A. Tate, a zealous and godly man living at Tracy City, was appointed to the Tracy City circuit, and has done about the best that was possible under the circumstances.

Spring City and Glen Alice, left to be supplied, have had a year of varied experiences. Soon after conference Rev. T. M. Rowden, a young man of good education and well recommended, was sent to take charge as pastor. He remained about a month and was then advised by the official members to relinquish the work, which he did. About the same time I was advised by a number of the leading members at Spring City not to send another pastor, for the reason that not even a young man could be supported. They also advised the entire discontinuance of our work and the sale of the church property at that place. At my earnest solicitation Bishop Goodsell went with me to visit the place and to assist in an endeavor to compose the difficulties and restore the spirit of confidence among the membership. The results of the visit and counsels of the bishop were very gratifying, and although a few valued members left us, the church, under the faithful leadership of Rev. Thomas Charlesworth, a theological student, who was selected to supply the place for the rest of the year, has been blessed with a successful revival. Souls have been converted and new members added, and instead of discouragement and criticism there is a spirit of confidence and hearty appreciation and co-operation.

Sherman Heights enjoyed the services of W. C. Halton, who was assigned to that place until about the first of June. He was a theological student and graduated in May, and soon afterwards returned to his home and his conference in

North Carolina. For the remaining part of the year the place was filled by G. Avery Reeder, a student in the Garrett Biblical Institute.

The supply assigned to Morgan Springs circuit at Conference, Rev. W. J. Kerley, was doing very acceptable service, but early in the spring he was taken seriously sick, and was compelled to give up the work. He was succeeded by Eli B. Thomas, a local preacher of good ability and excellent character, residing on the work.

About the first of May, Rev. S. T. Westhafer, pastor of the First Church at Chattanooga, notified the official board that he had "accepted a call" to the pastorate of an important church in another conference. A little later he was transferred, surrendering his place at Chattanooga June 1st. The vacancy thus occasioned was filled by Bishop Vincent, who transferred and appointed to the place the Rev. James M. Taber, Jr., from the New England Southern Conference. The First Church and the presiding elder were surprised at this arrangement, to put it mildly, having no knowledge of it until it was announced by the bishop, but Brother Taber fills the place of his popular predecessor as ably and perhaps as acceptably now as though he had been chosen and called by the full official board itself with the concurrence of the presiding elder.

Two new churches have been finished and dedicated during the year. One at Webster, near Harriman, and the other at Pikeville, on the Pikeville circuit. They are worth each about one thousand dollars, were built with no aid from abroad, and were dedicated free from debt. The first was dedicated by presiding elder, assisted by Rev. T. H. Russell, the other was dedicated by the Rev. Dr. Cooke, assisted by the presiding elder and pastor.

Some of our churches are imperiled by debt.

The church at Tracy City is indebted to the Board of Church Extension and is utterly unable to make payment. The debt has been supposedly secured by mortgage on the property, but the deed to the property contains a reversionary clause by which its value as security is wholly vitiated.

The property at South Pittsburgh is in almost as bad a condition. An unsatisfied vendor's lien remains on the lot by which the mortgage to the Board of Church Extension for a past due loan is rendered of doubtful or at least uncertain value.

Gratifying progress has been made in the payment of some of our church debts. The First Church at Chattanooga has paid \$2,000 of its indebtedness, besides meeting all current expenses for the year. The Highland Park Church has paid all current bills for the year and paid about \$200 of its debt, and will in all probability finish it next year. The church at Vine Grove has made an end of its small debt long due the Board of Church Extension.

The collections both for pastoral support and for the several benevolences, show a small increase in nearly every case.

There have been some notable revivals, particularly in the First Church, Chattanooga, under the labors of Rev. Thomas Harrison, on the Daisy circuit, under the leadership of Brother Best, the pastor, at Vine Grove, under the labors of Brother Walker, the pastor, at Spring City, under the faithful ministrations of Brother Charlesworth, the pastor, and on the Pikeville, the Jasper and the Kimball circuits, all under the earnest labors of the several pastors, Brothers York, Conner and Dugan.

J. J. MANKER, *Presiding Elder*.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

Report of Presiding Elder of Knoxville District to Holston Conference, held at Elizabethton, Tenn., beginning October 13, 1898:

The district is composed of seventeen charges, six stations and eleven circuits. Members of the conference were appointed to at last session of conference and have served all the charges except one, Holston Circuit, where Rev. L. M. Wills, a local preacher, has served as supply.

There has been very little interruption with pastors in their work, either by family or personal affliction. The only one thus hindered to a very great degree was Rev. Crowder, who has only been able to do about a half year's work. Most of the charges have been blessed with precious visitations of grace.

The spiritual atmosphere is one of good-will and hopefulness throughout the district. Four churches have been completed and dedicated during the year. One on Holston circuit, by Rev. T. S. Walker, valued at \$1,000; at Dandridge a house modern in style, by Rev. D. H. Moore, D. D., editor *Western Christian Advocate*; this property is well worth \$1,500. Next at Corryton, by Rev. J. W. Jones, splendidly located, an up-to-date house, valued at \$1,500. Last, at Asbury, on Thorn Grove charge, by presiding elder and pastor. Here good taste and wisdom combined in the selection of a site and in the plan of the house. This property is easily worth \$1,500. The four new properties aggregate in value \$5,500.

One church school, Murphy College, is located within the bounds of Knoxville district. This young institution of our Methodism promises well. In college building, boarding hall, furniture and campus, there is a splendid property worth \$18,000. The interesting items of faculty, enrollment, etc., will appear in report of Committee on Education. To members and friends of our Church who contemplate patronizing a school of the grade of Murphy College we most earnestly recommend this young and growing institution.

The Epworth League is proving a wonderful power in developing the young life of the Church. Thus far in its history the district has experienced a burden in meeting the necessity for church homes for our people, but now our people being well housed generally we hope soon to go from the class that lean to the class that lift. J. A. RUBLE, P. E.

The report of S. G. Ketron, Presiding Elder of Greeneville District not received.

SECRETARY.

MEMOIRS.

REV. SAMUEL GREEAR.

Rev. Samuel Greear departed this life at his home in Anderson County, Tennessee, Oct. 9, 1897, at the age of more than four score years. In the dark days of the war for the Union he stood for the flag of his country. He was Chaplain of the Eleventh Tennessee Volunteers, was taken prisoner and saw the "bright side" as well as the *other side* of life for some months on Belle Island and Libby, of fearful fame.

He was received on trial in the Holston Conference Oct. 7, 1867, and was as brave as the bravest and true as the truest in the discharge of any duty required at his hand. To his God, his country, his church and his convictions he was as loyal as the needle to the polar star. His preaching was of a high character and of such a nature as to impress his hearers with his great earnestness and sincerity. His social life was such as to ingratiate himself into the purest affections of the people with whom he associated, and today he lives in the hearts of the people where he labored.

He never indulged in complaints against the appointing powers of the church, but went without murmuring to the charges to which he was assigned and faithfully discharged the duties of a Methodist preacher. He was effective until 1890, when placed in the superannuated relation, which relation he retained until the Master said, "Come home, my son, and rest from your labors." His life was a success, his death a triumphant victory, and his rest must be glorious.

J. H. AMIS.

ELIZABETH GREER.

Elizabeth Greer, widow of the late Rev. A. J. Greer, who for many years was an honored member of this conference, died at her home, near Tazewell, Claiborne County, Ten-

nessee, a short time since. The exact date of her death is not known to this committee.

Her maiden name was Holaday. She was of English descent and was probably born in England.

She was married to Rev. A. J. Greer at Maryville, Tenn., in the year 1865, and shared with her husband the cares and responsibilities of a pastor's life for a number of years with cheerfulness and devotion, until her health failed to such an extent that her mental powers went down, never to rise again. Thus she lingered for some sad years, until our merciful Heavenly Father let the fearful conflict end and took her home on high.

T. H. RUSSELL.



OUR HONORED DEAD.

NAME.	BORN.	ADMITTED.	DIED.
Willis Ingle	1798	1838	October 29, 1867
David Fleming	May 4, 1779	1824	August 28, 1868
James Cummings	October 26, 1787	1820	June 30th, 1868
W. A. Marshall	1819	1869	Sep'tber 29, 1871
W. H. H. Duggan	July 3, 1815	1855	August 11, 1872
Joseph Milburn	January 23, 1800	1865	Janu'y 18, 1873
Isaac Forkner	1790	1867	April 7, 1873
John Leach			1873
Robert Clark		1870	August 9, 1873
N. E. Cobleigh	Nov. 24, 1814	1844	Feb'ry 1, 1874
Elijah Still	Sept'ber 4, 1805	Nov. 10, 1831	April 12, 1875
S. Patterson		1868	March 21, 1875
M. H. B. Burket	July 11, 1811	1864	Nov. 12, 1875
W. P. Fair		1870	Dec. 13, 1876
Rob't. H. Guthrie	March 27, 1820	1850	May 20, 1881
G. W. Heninger		1874	April 23, 1881
John Forrester	May 7, 1801		Dec. 3, 1881
Spencer Henry	October 25, 1805	1858	June 3, 1883
B. F. Wells		1866	1884
W. B. Ballenger	June 23, 1826	1852	October 15, 1884
John R. Hughes	May 7, 1829	1867	May 13, 1886
J. P. Milburn	February 5, 1832	1865	October 20, 1886
Daniel Carter	1813	1865	August 30, 1887
John W. Holden	October 29, 1858	1885	1887
J. F. Morrison			1887
N. G. Taylor	Dec'ber 29, 1819	October 1872	April 1, 1887
Lemuel Bogart	April 29, 1808	May 19, 1866	May 3, 1888
W. T. Jones		Oct. 20, 1883	1888
Moses Seaton		October 1869	April 17, 1889
Wm. M. Haskall	June 11, 1818	1844	Feb'ry 8, 1890
C. S. Long	January 3, 1850	October 1875	
W. H. Rogers	March 22, 1813		March 17, 1891
E. B. Clark	October 10, 1830	October 1869	April 3, 1891
W. D. Smith	January 28, 1832	1871	July 4, 1892
G. M. Hicks	1833	June 1865	July 17, 1893
A. B. Wright	Nov 3, 1826	October 1867	Nov. 9, 1893
John P. Morton	August 26, 1855	October 1889	Sept. 15, 1894
A. G. Watkins	May 5 1818	1867	Nov. 9, 1895
A. J. Greer	December, 1832	June 1865	Nov. 20, 1895
S. B. Scott	Nov. 3, 1829	October 1877	Janu'y 6, 1896
W. C. Graves	August 13, 1815	1834	Janu'y 29 1896
E. L. Fillmore	June 11, 1864	October 1891	August 12, 1896
D. B. Lawton	June 5, 1814		May 12, 1896
D. S. Hodsdon	Feb. 28, 1848	October 1875	1896
D. H. Jameson	May 26, 1869	October 1894	Janu'y 20, 1897
J. W. Mann	August 9, 1835	1857	May 30, 1897
W. C. Daily	October 16, 1816		June 27, 1897
A. F. Cresswell	Feb. 3, 1848	October 1875	June 10, 1897
D. Richardson	Sept. 11, 1832	Octob'r 12, 1868	June 30, 1897
Samuel Greear	1818	October 7, 1867	October 9, 1897

STATISTICS NO. 1.—CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT, HOLSTON CONFERENCE, FOR 1898.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Membership.						Baptisms. Sun. Schools.				Church Property.					
	No. Probationers	No. of Full Members	No. of Local Preachers	No. of Deaths	No. of Children Baptized	No. of Adults Baptized	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars	No. of Churches	Probable Value	No. Parsonages	Probable Value	Paid for Building Churches and Parsonages	Paid on old indebtedness on Church Property	Present indebtedness on Church Property
First Church	95	565	3	4	4	35	1	38	500	1	65,000	1	6,000	\$ 324 00	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000
Alton Park	4	30		3	1	1	1	10	60	1	1,200			10 00		
Avondale	7	57		1	1	1	1	14	146	1	2,000	1	800	24 00		
Highland Park	8	150	1	2	2	12	1	125	250	1	2,000			24 00		695
Hill City	3	56		2		1	2	12	56	1	2,500					163
Ridgedale		56	1			1	2	13	114	1	4,000			17 00	66	308
Sherman Heights		50				1	1	6	31	1	800					
Crossville	15	85		2		1	1	6	50	1	300					
Daisy	30	220	1	5	3	25	2	10	100	2	2,000		800	150 00		
Dayton	60	126		3		27	2	15	125	1	3,000		500	50 00		335
Graysville	4	247		1		8	3	27	144	4	1,650			50 00		
Harriman	2	117		2		1	6	31	325	1	2,000			75 00	50	150
Jasper	18	270		2	7	6	3	18	140	1	3,200		150	24 00		
Kimbal	12	68	1	2	2	6	3	16	100	1	1,000			7 00		
Morgan Springs	13	114		3			3	15	160	1	200					
Pikeville	13	180		1			3	15	160	1	3,000		150	500 00		
Rockwood	12	86		1		2	1	12	82	1	3,000					385
South Pittsburgh	4	43	1	1	2	1	1	5	55	1	2,000					708
Spring City	11	72		1	9	9	2	24	140	2	2,200			48 00		
Stoney Point		45	3	4	5	15	3	21	120	4	1,400			35 00		667
Tracy City	6	26			4	5	1	14	80							
Epworth																
Total	357	2807	16	33	26	150	39	343	2772	41	102,450	7	8,300	\$ 1,356 00	\$ 2,344	\$ 19,969

STATISTICS No. 1—CLINTON DISTRICT, HOLSTON CONFERENCE, FOR 1898.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Membership.					Baptists					Sun. Schools.					Church Property.				
	No. Probationers	No. of Full Members	No. of Local Preachers	No. of Deaths	No. of Children Baptized	No. of Adults Baptized	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars	No. of Churches	Probable Value.	No. Parsonages	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebtedness on Church Property	Present Indebtedness on Church Property				
Andersonville	37	300	3	9	1	21	9	282	1	\$4,900	1	\$4,900	\$300 00							
Big Valley	31	359	3	12	1	14	9	359	1	\$4,900	1	\$4,900	\$45 00							
Clinton	21	84	1	1	1	17	7	60	1	\$1,000	1	\$1,000	\$400 00							
Coal Creek	11	103	1	1	1	17	7	250	1	\$2,500	1	\$2,500	\$600 00							
Cumberland Gap	41	273	3	12	4	36	12	300	2	\$2,500	2	\$2,500	\$300 00							
Deer Lodge		225	2	12	1	14	7	20	1	\$1,000	1	\$1,000	\$00 00	\$200 00						
Jamestown	49	234	2	12	1	36	12	190	1	\$4,400	1	\$4,400	\$29 00							
Jellico	23	168	1	12	1	21	7	154	1	\$4,800	1	\$4,800								
Maynardsville	6	446	1	12	1	14	7	48	1	\$2,400	1	\$2,400								
New River	42	230	1	12	1	15	7	56	1	\$3,000	1	\$3,000	\$20 00							
Oliver Springs	7	156	2	8	10	15	12	12	3	\$2,400	3	\$2,400	\$45 00							
Rutledge	15	275	2	8	7	11	3	200	3	\$800	1	\$800	\$50 00							
Scarborough	333	186	2	3	7	10	3	140	3	\$3,200	1	\$3,200	\$400 00							
Sunbright	20	275	1	3	3	8	3	20	3	\$3,000	1	\$3,000								
Tazewell	60	375	1	3	3	17	3	350	3	\$5,200	1	\$5,200								
Well Spring	32	322	2	3	3	17	3	305	1	\$300	1	\$300								
Total	420	4011	27	45	37	213	56	331	62	\$45,550	4	\$1,350	\$11,562 00		\$30 00					

STATISTICS NO. 1.—GREENVILLE DISTRICT, HOLSTON CONFERENCE, FOR 1898.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Membership.				Baptisms			Sun. Schools			Church Property.					
	No. Probationers	No. of Full Members	No. of Local Preachers	No. of Deaths	No. of Children Baptized	No. of Adults Baptized	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars	No. of Churches	Probable Value \$	No. Parsonages	Probable Value \$	Paid for Building Churches and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebtedness on Church Property	Present Indebtedness on Church Property
Bloomingdale	25	450	1	5	10	50	7	35	350	9	6,000	1	1,000	600 00	25 00	200 00
Chucky City	40	590	1	5	10	30	60	491	50	9	3,000	1	1,000	395 00	30 00	200 00
Butler Circuit	25	300	1	5	6	10	25	300	30	3	3,800		500 00	500 00		
Elizabethon Station	40	680	4	21	9	20	40	475	1,200	7	7,000		400 00	400 00	30 00	
Fall Branch	25	871	3	15	12	40	44	550	7,000	11	4,000		525 00			
Greenville Circuit	20	141	1	5	6	14	154	154	4,000	1	4,000		40 00			
Greenville Station	16	220	4	4	7	12	120	120	3,000	1	3,000					
Johnson City Circuit	5	400	3	12	5	9	30	175	2,000	1	2,000		985 00		75 00	
Jonesboro	25	435	2	12	8	50	25	275	3,700	1	3,700		600			
Mountain City	31	288	3	12	2	18	33	274	5,700	1	5,700		300 00			
Newport Circuit	42	242	3	6	2	8	27	208	500	1	500		250			
Oakland Circuit	10	400	3	10		3	48	415	4,400	1	4,400		500	200 00		
Parrottsville	470	1	1	2		3	8	115	4,500	5	4,500					
Rogersville	21	240	3	4	4	8	24	150	3,100	3	3,100		102 00			
Sneedville	19	239	1	5	8	10	34	257	2,000	5	2,000		1,000 00		50 00	
Surgonsville	20	260	1	2	6	10	12	85	3,000	1	3,000		40 00			
Watauga	35	200	1	2	3	30	17	40	2,500	1	2,500		300			
Total	411	6363	36	98	78	353	47	486	440	28	68,600	7	5,050	4,794 00	255 00	555 00

STATISTICS NO. 1. - KNOXVILLE DISTRICT, HOLSTON CONFERENCE, FOR 1898.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Membership.						B'ptisms.			Sun. Schools.			Church Property.					
	No. Probationers	No. of Full Members	No. of Local Preachers	No. of Deaths	No. of Children Baptized	No. of Adults Baptized	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars	No. of Churches	Probable Value	No. Parsonages	Probable Value	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebtedness on Church Property	Present Indebtedness on Church Property		
Dandridge	9	326			4	5	30	250	6	6,000			\$ 1,200 00		\$ 100 00			
Elm Grove	1	150			4	1	12	126	2	3,000								
Fair Garden	25	574	2		14	10	50	480	8	6,000								
Holston	34	174	1			2	11	80	3	2,800			1,000 00					
Asylum Street	57	320	1		5	15	22	260	1	8,000	1	\$ 1,500		\$ 103 00				
East Main Street	32	37			14	1	7	62	1	2,000				75 00				
First Church	11	750			13	8	27	423	4	60,000			3 00	100 00				
Luttrell Street	10	210	2		7	1	34	250	1	6,000			1,000 00					
Knoxville Circuit	10	225	1		3	3	15	125	4	3,000								
Little River	13	363	1	6	5	6	19	300	1	3,200	1	175		45 00				
Morristown	14	120	1	1	1	1	12	103	4	4,000								
Morristown Circuit	10	200	1	1		2	25	200	4				135 00					
New Salem	10	330	4	7	11	7	40	300	1	4,500	1	150	1,250 00					
Newport	12	105	1	1		1	14	120	1	4,000			30 00	80 00				
Sevierville	37	553	1	8	4	4	50	306	7	8,000	1	300	15 00					
Thorn Grove	10	330	4	7	11	7	40	300	6	4,500	1	150	1,250 00					
Tuckaleechee	28	155	1	1	10	3	2	180	6	3,950								
Total	310	4922	20	56	33	98	410	3865	63	\$ 122,950	6	\$ 3,125	\$ 5,883 00	\$ 403 00	\$ 100 00			

STATISTICS NO. 3.—ATHENS DISTRICT, HOLSTON CONFERENCE, FOR 1898.

NAME OF CHARGE, NAME OF PASTOR.	Pastor's Support.				Total	Support		Support		Total Sup't: Pastors, P. Elders and Bishops	Conference Claimants			Current Exp'ses			
	Claims.		Receipts.			Deiciencies	Amt Ap-portioned	Amount Paid	Amt Ap-portioned		Amount Paid	Coll'ct'ns	R'd Fr'm	Other Sources	Church, Sex-ton, Fuel, etc	S. S. Lesson	Leaves, etc
	Salary	House Rent	Salary	House Rent													
Athens	600	0	600	0	600	0	60	0	7	667	15	0	75	52	0		
Athens Circuit	400	0	383	0	383	17	50	50	2	435	8	0	15	35	0		
Chatata	400	25	425	25	425	0	50	42	1	468	5	0	5	15	0		
Cleveland	500	0	500	0	500	0	50	47	3	549	8	0	90	69	0		
Cleveland Circuit	350	0	350	0	200	60	45	45	1	336	2	0	10	7	0		
Decatur Circuit	200	18	218	18	203	15	45	43	1	247	1	0	1	13	0		
Ducktown	375	0	310	0	310	65	55	43	3	356	7	0	13	40	0		
W. S. Brackney	250	33	283	33	192	91	32	26	3	216	0	0	1	14	0		
G. M. Stone	325	0	325	0	180	145	44	28	1	209	1	0	1	14	0		
T. R. West	125	0	125	0	125	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
D. H. Gibson	350	50	400	50	400	0	50	40	3	443	7	0	50	26	0		
Friendsville	130	0	130	0	126	4	30	26	1	153	4	0	4	25	0		
Hazen Oaks	416	84	500	400	400	100	50	34	3	437	6	0	6	38	0		
J. W. Cardwell	250	0	250	0	165	85	45	42	1	208	1	0	1	10	0		
E. H. McLaughlin	700	0	700	0	700	0	60	60	5	765	15	0	15	25	0		
P. H. Scarbrough	400	0	400	0	290	110	45	45	1	348	3	0	3	19	0		
J. J. Robinette	5771	210	5981	113	5289	692	713	633	44	5937	83	0	83	370	0		
Maryville Circuit	400	0	400	0	290	110	45	45	1	348	3	0	3	19	0		
Total	5771	210	5981	113	5289	692	713	633	44	5937	83	0	83	370	0		

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STATISTICS NO. 3.—CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT, HOLSTON CONFERENCE, FOR 1898.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	Pastor's Support.				Deficiencies	Support		Support		Conference		Current Expenses	
		Claims.		Receipts.			P. Elders		Bishops		Claimants			Church, Sex-ton, Fuel, etc
		House	Total	House	Total		Am't Ap-portioned	Amount Paid	Am't Ap-portioned	Amount Paid	R'd'fr'm	Total		
Alton Park	J. L. Brasher	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 185	\$ 115	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 201	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 12	\$ 35		
Avondale	W. M. Dye	244	294	194	50	20	20	266	3	3	5	28		
First Church	J. M. Tabor	1700	2100	400	400	250	250	2375	20	20	2500	439		
Highland Park	G. E. Ackerman	600	600	600	600	60	60	668	15	15	85	110		
Hill City	A. M. Crabtree	150	150	171	171	20	20	193	2	2	51	31		
Ridgedale	W. C. Wheeler	260	260	264	264	20	20	288	.	.	15	30		
Sherman Heights	G. A. Reeder	165	165	165	165	20	13	156	.	.	21	30		
Crossville	A. C. Peters	124	124	115	9	45	45	156	.	.	.	.
Daisy	J. S. Best	245	32	277	32	30	20	252	.	.	.	.
Dayton & Vine	G. ve Robert Walker	225	225	225	13	30	20	252	.	.	.	.
Graysville	A. B. McKenzie	300	300	285	15	30	30	286	1	1	60	.		
Harriman	W. A. Saville	660	660	660	660	60	60	728	12	12	25	22		
Jasper	T. H. Conner	375	400	217	11	40	40	269	.	.	20	47		
Kimball	W. T. Dugan	100	100	81	19	20	22	96	.	.	10	16		
Morgan Springs	Eli B. Thomas	.	.	83	.	20	22	.	.	.	.	13
Pikeville	J. M. York	300	325	240	25	40	32	298	.	.	.	.
Rockwood	B. M. Martin	450	450	425	25	48	45	477	5	5	30	34		
South Pittsburg	G. W. Paul	300	300	120	5	15	1	140	1	1	5	14		
Spring City	T. Charlesworth	.	.	62	.	16	16	79	1	1	12	20		
Epworth	S. D. Tuttle	50	50	50	50	10	10	60	.	.	25	75		
Total		4948	7080	5672	523	804	761	7087	59	59	2876	994		

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STATISTICS NO. 3.—GREENEVILLE DISTRICT, HOLSTON CONFERENCE, FOR 1898.

NAME OF CHARGE, NAME OF PASTOR.	Pastor's Support.			Support		Support		Confidence		Current			
	Claims.		Receipts.		P. Elders		Bishops		Claimants		Expnses		
	Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total	Deficiencies	Amt. Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Supp't: Pastors, P. Elders and Bishops	Coll'ct'ns	Other Sources	Total
Bloomingdale	\$ 400	\$ 40	\$ 140	\$ 300	\$ 40	\$ 340	\$ 100	\$ 50	\$ 45	\$ 387	\$ 5	\$ 5	\$ 40
Butler	200	30	230	200	30	230	20	20	20	250	1	1	3
Cluckey City	418	36	454	350	36	386	68	42	40	430	10	10	41
Elizabethon	425		425	425		425		30	30	447	3	3	90
Fall Branch	500		500	400		400	100	60	1	401	2	2	75
Greeneville	480	120	600	480	120	600	425	55	40	641	6	10	150
Greeneville Ct	500		500	375	50	425	125	40	40	465	1	1	100
Johnson City	600		600	600		600	85	16	16	646	8	8	75
Johnson City Ct	235		235	85		85	150	32	1	101			10
Jonesboro	475	60	535	475	60	535	164			567			90
Mountain City	350		350	184		184	661				2		
Newport Circuit	200		200	124		124	76	32	24	148	2	2	12
Oakland	415		415	300		300	100	40	35	336	2	2	20
Parrottsville	300		300	212		212	88	50	2	254	2	2	15
Rogersville	250		250	186		186	64	30	29	233	2	2	30
Sneedville	185		185	148		148	37	25	20	169	2	2	
Surgoinville	200		200	70		70	130	30	20	90			4
Watauga	200	24	224	180	24	204	20	16	16	221			
Total	5783	310	6093	5004	350	5354	1202	609	488	5746	47	1057	650
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STATISTICS NO 3.—KNOXVILLE DISTRICT, HOLSTON CONFERENCE, FOR 1898.

NAME OF CHARGE, NAME OF PASTOR.	Pastor's Support.				Receipts			Deficiencies			Support			Conference			Current Expenses, etc.
	Claims.		Total		House Rent	Salary	House Rent	Total	P. Elders	Bishops.		Total Sup't. Pastors, P. Elders, and Bishops.	Claimants.		Church, sexton, fuel, etc.		
	Salary	House Rent	House Rent	Total						Amount Portioned	Amount Paid		Col'tns	Other Sources		Total	
Dandridge	\$ 375	\$.	\$ 375	\$ 288	\$.	\$ 288	\$.	\$.	\$ 40	\$ 5	\$ 1	\$ 329	\$ 1	\$.	\$.	\$ 12	
Elm Grove and Jones Chapel	360	90	450	135	90	225	225	225	32	5	3	259	15	15	50	40	
Fair Garden	400	. . .	400	375	. . .	375	25	60	60	1	1	436	1	. . .	. . .	. . .
Holston	125	. . .	125	50	50	75	75	25	16	. . .	. . .	66	. . .	. . .	25	15
Knoxville—Asylum Street	700	150	850	700	150	850	. . .	60	60	5	5	915	1	. . .	1	96	
East Main St	200	. . .	200	200	. . .	200	. . .	20	20	2	1	2275	2	1	3	25	
First Church	2000	. . .	2000	2000	. . .	2000	. . .	250	250	25	25	2275	50	50	1000	200	
Luttrell St	1100	. . .	1100	1100	. . .	1100	. . .	50	50	10	10	1100	15	15	158	90	
Knoxville circuit	200	. . .	200	150	150	50	50	50	40	1	1	191	1	1	1	18	
Little River	355	30	385	309	30	339	35	50	50	5	1	390	. . .	. . .	. . .	40
Morristown	450	. . .	450	450	. . .	450	. . .	40	40	6	6	496	. . .	. . .	90	36
Morristown Cir	310	24	334	261	24	285	25	30	32	. . .	. . .	317	2	2	. . .	. . .
New Salem	300	100	400	330	100	430	40	40	5	1	1	471	2	2	60	65	
Newport	650	25	675	400	25	425	250	80	80	5	3	508	3	3	200	60	
Sevierville	400	50	450	420	300	150	120	56	48	2	1	349	1	1	80	60	
Thorn Grove	400	50	450	420	300	150	120	56	48	2	1	349	1	1	80	60	
Tuckaleechee	8310	439	8749	5242	469	7711	1033	938	869	82	31	8304	94	194	1632	742	

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STATISTICS NO. 4.—CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT, HOLSTON CONFERENCE, FOR 1898.

BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Missions.		Board of Church Extension	Sunday School Union	Tract Society	Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Socy	Education.		American Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total Other Benevolent Collections	General Conference Expenses	Conference Claimants	Episcopal Fund	Total
	(a) Church	(b) S. School					(a) Public Education ¹ Collection	(b) Childr'n's Fund								
Alton Park	\$ 7	\$ 4	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$.	\$.	\$.	\$.	\$.	\$.	\$.	\$.	\$ 1	\$ 1	21
Avondale	9	4	5	1	1	6	6	6	1	1	1	2	2	3	2	40
Chattanooga— First Church	117	100	10	3	2	20	20	20	1	195	1	100	20	20	25	613
Highland Park	50	30	20	1	9	20	20	7	5	19	1	135	15	15	25	326
Hill City	11	9	2	1	2	3	3	4	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	41
Ridgedale	10	10	3	2	1	3	3	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	41
Sherman Heights	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4
Crossville	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
Daisy	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
Dayton & Vine Grove	7	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10
Graysville	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16
Harriman	26	8	7	1	1	12	12	1	1	1	1	1	12	12	5	73
Jasper	13	13	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18
Kimball	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4
Morgan Springs	10	10	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	17
Pikeville	18	17	3	1	1	3	3	3	1	1	1	3	5	5	2	57
Rockwood	3	6	9	1	1	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16
South Pittsburg	2	2	6	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13
Spring City	4	4	6	2	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13
Epworth	11	11	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13
Total	292	201	493	61	17	76	76	3	57	9	228	8	240	20	51	1322

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STATISTICS No. 4. CLINTON DISTRICT, HOLSTON CONFERENCE, FOR 1898.

BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Missions.		Board of Church Extension.	Sunday School Union.	Tract Society.	Freedman's Aid & Sout'n Edu. So.	Education.		American Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Miss'y Society.	Woman's Home Miss'y Society.	Total Other Benevolent Collections.	General Conference Expenses.	Conference Claimants.	Episcopal Fund.	Total.
	(a) Church.	(b) Sun. School.					(a) Public Educa'l Coll.	(b) Children's Fund.								
Andersonville	\$															
Big Valley																
Clinton																
Coal Creek																
Cumberland Gap																
Deer Lodge																
Jamestown																
Jellico and Newcomb	15	51	4	1	1	3	4	1	1	1	1	3		1	3	6
Maynardsville	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	16
New River	1	1														2
Oliver Springs	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	14
Rutledge	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	20
Scarborough	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		2	1	8
Sunbright	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	3
Tazwell	3	3	2	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1		3	1	22
Well Spring	10	10														22
Total	68	17	106	19	4	2	15	7	15	3	15	3	7	28	10	216

STATISTICS NO. 4.—GREENVILLE DISTRICT, HOLSTON CONFERENCE, FOR 1898.

BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Missions.		Board of Church Extension.	Sunday School Union.	Tract Society.	Freedman's Aid & South'n Edu. So.	Education.			Woman's Foreign Missy Society.	Woman's Home Missy Society.	Total Other Benevolent Collections.	General Conference Expenses.	Conference Claimants.	Episcopal Fund.	Total.	
	(a) Church.	(b) Sun. School.					Total.	(a) Public Educal Coll.	(b) Children's Fund.								American Bible Society.
Bloomington	\$ 26	\$ 20	\$ 46														
Butler																	
Chucky City																	
Elizabethon	25	25	50														
Fall Branch	20	35	55														
Greenville	21	10	31														
Greenville Circuit	21	32	53														
Johnson City	26	26	52														
Johnson City Circuit	26	33	59														
Jonesboro	6	9	15														
Mountain City	9	9	18														
Newport Circuit	10	10	20														
Oakland	9	9	18														
Parrottsville	7	9	16														
Rogersville	2	1	3														
Sneetville	12	4	16														
Surgoinville	12	1	13														
Wautauga	1	1	2														
Total	168	41	209	50	11	12	24	7	15	8	6	7		57	25	425	

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STATISTICS NO. 4. KNOXVILLE DISTRICT, HOLSTON CONFERENCE, FOR 1898.

BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Missions.		Board of Church Extension	Sunday School Union	Tract Society	Freedmen's Aid and Southern Educational Socy	Education.		American Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total Other Benevolent Collections	General Conference Expenses	Conference Claimants	Episcopal Fund	Total
	(a) Church	(b) S. School					(a) Public Educational Collection	(b) Children's Fund								
Dandridge	10	6	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14
Elm Grove & Jones Cpl	9	6	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Fair Garden	5	2	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	17
Holston	2	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	17
Knoxville—																2
Asylum Street	20	20	40	1	1	1	3	103	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	144
East Main Street	8	3	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	22
First Church	250	150	400	1	1	1	13	2	100	450	1370	50	50	25	25	2487
Luttrell Street	53	27	80	1	1	1	12	1	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	170
Knoxville Circuit	20	20	40	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	24
Little River	3	3	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	25
Morrison	28	22	50	1	1	1	8	15	1	1	40	15	15	1	1	149
Morristown Circuit	5	5	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
New Salem	13	13	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16
Newport	5	15	20	1	1	1	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	50
Sevierville	5	5	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	614
Thorn Grove	8	8	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18
Total	416	276	672	10	6	697	10	39	7	139	451	1545	108	108	59	3829

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TREASURER'S REPORT, HOLSTON CONFERENCE, FOR 1898.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Missionary Society.		Church Extension.		Sunday School Union.		Tract Society.		Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.		Education.			American Bible Society.			
	Cash	Voucher	Cash	Voucher	Cash	Voucher	Cash	Voucher	Cash	Voucher	(a) Public Education	(b) Children's Fund	Cash				
Athens District	\$ 364	6	\$ 76		\$ 4	9	\$ 8		\$ 60		\$ 27	10	2	15	9		
Chattanooga	440	51	64	1	13	3	9	8	58	19	1		42	16	3		
Clinton	96	7	19			4		1	12	3	14		3	5			
Greeneville	219		56		10				29		6		4	12	7		1
Knoxville	648	10	87	2	9	1	6		81	616	14	4	82	4	8		
Total	1767	74	298	3	36	13	36	9	240	638	62	14	79	56	36		1

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.		Woman's Home Missionary Soc'y.		Miscellaneous Debt.		Total Other Benevolent Collections.		General Conference Expenses.		Conference Claimants Fund.		RECAPITULATION.				
	Cash	Voucher	Cash	Voucher	Cash	Voucher	Cash	Voucher	Cash	Voucher	Cash	Voucher	Total Cash	Total Vouch'rs	Total Vouch'rs		
Athens District	\$	63	\$	77	\$	3	\$	3	\$		\$	29	\$	3	\$	686	187
Chattanooga	3	224				3		380				52		766	557	1323	
Clinton	5		3					7			27		10		193	21	214
Greeneville	3		1								59		13		423	16	439
Knoxville	9	130	1	450	7	15		1430	2		108	2	58	1061	2667	3733	
Total	20	417	17	527	30	18		1870	3		340	2	162	83129	3455	6582	



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